

that. They want to take away liability so that they have no responsibility if they are careless. They want to be able on whim, on hunch, on rumor, on whatever, to get this procedure underway. That is the way the bill reads now. If you kill the bill, everything that the insurance companies and law enforcement people could do under this bill in its present form they could still do. And if they are going to try to do something that might work against the interest of any individual, then that individual...

SENATOR LABEDZ: One minute, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...without Section 8 would have legal recourse. I am not adverse, as some people are, to taking great amounts of time on a single bill and fighting it again, and again, and again. There have been bills that were as resilient as a cow's cud. It is chewed on awhile. It is swallowed. It is coughed up, chewed a bit more, swallowed, coughed up, chewed a bit more, swallowed, and goes on. And I will participate in all of the chewing as long as it occurs. That alone should not be the reason to vote to kill this bill, but it is a consideration, and I am serving notice that to the same extent that those who support this bill feel very strongly about it and will use every attempt and every stratagem allowed by the rules to keep it alive and restore it to its original condition, I am going to use everything available to me under the rules for however long it takes to stop it.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Chambers, your time is up. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Madam Chairman. I know that it is very difficult to vote to kill a bill that is introduced by the Speaker of the Legislature, but I also know Bill Barrett personally and I know that Bill is not the type of Speaker or Senator who would take it personal if anyone voted to kill a bill that he was asked to bring to the floor by someone else. Bill Barrett just doesn't operate that way. I have stood on this floor and listened to him speak, sometimes as a former leader in the Republican Party against a fellow Republican who was charged by this Legislature with a crime, and Bill Barrett stood tall, and he stood firm, and he voted against a fellow Republican, and probably against the wishes of many in the hierarchy of the Republican Party. And that is why I have no fear whatsoever of retaliation from Bill Barrett because I know it is not in that man's character to do such a terrible thing to